

BRITISH FIRED SHOT UPON U. S. VESSEL, CAPTAIN CHARGES

Prize Crew Hauled Down American Flag and Damaged Ship—Washington's View of Incident.

BERLIN, Jan. 19.—Charges of insults to the American flag and of improper interference with its vessel have been transmitted to Washington by Captain Farley of the American steamship Greenbrier, now in Bremen harbor.

The story of the hold-up on the high seas, as recorded in the logbook of the Greenbrier, has been sent to Secretary Bryan by Captain Farley under instructions from the owners of the steamship.

A cutter's crew in charge of an officer boarded the steamship and the officer demanded the ship's papers. As soon as they were shown the British officer signalled for more men.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Complaint regarding British treatment of the steamship Greenbrier has not yet reached the State Department today.

PORT OF PHILADELPHIA

Vessels Arriving Today

Mr. Cuyahoga (Br.), London, ballast, Joseph C. Gabriel.

Vessels Leaving Today

Mr. Atlas (Br.), Dickinson, Toros, Annunziata, Charles M. Taylor's Sons.

Steamships to Arrive

Passenger

Freight

Steamships to Leave

Passenger

Freight

PORT OF NEW YORK

Steamships Arriving Today

Mr. Portland, Rotterdam, Jan. 19.

Steamships to Leave

FREIGHTS AND CHARTERS

Business is restricted in the steam market by the scarcity of available vessels.

STEAMSHIPS

Brachday (Br.), Portland, Me., to Rotterdam, grain, 30,000 quarters, private terms, February.

Movements of Vessels

Mr. Indiana, Philadelphia for Jacksonville, was 23 miles northeast of Cape Lookout at 10:30, January 18.

Mr. Washington, San Francisco, for New York, was 191 miles south of Cape Hatteras at 10:30, January 18.

Mr. Philadelphia, Philadelphia for Philadelphia, arrived at Baltimore January 17.

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OFFICIAL WAR REPORTS

FRENCH

In Belgium there is a severe snow-storm. There has been an intermittent cannonade. There is also a snow-storm in the region of Arras, where our heavy artillery silenced in several combats the enemy's batteries.

In the sector of Soissons the bombardment of St. Paul during the night of January 17-18 was not followed by any infantry attacks, and the day of January 18 was absolutely calm.

In the sector of the Aisne, to the east of Soissons, and in the sector of Rheims, there were artillery combats.

To the northwest of Pont-a-Mousson we captured a new field works in La Pretre forest, where we now occupy 500 yards of German trenches.

In the Vosges there is a severe snow-storm. There has been a cannonade, particularly in the region of Badaassart and in the sector of Thann.

GERMAN

In the western theatre of war, except for a few unimportant skirmishes, only artillery duels occurred along the entire front yesterday.

In the eastern theatre of war the weather is very unfavorable.

At Radonozow, Czeslan and Serpe (all in northern Poland) we repulsed the Russians with heavy losses.

At the same time the Russian army captured a new field works in La Pretre forest, where we now occupy 500 yards of German trenches.

RUSSIAN

On the left bank of the River Vistula we delivered a counter attack, the night of January 17, and we recaptured certain trench works in the village of Gornik which the enemy had captured the night of January 16.

The German detachments defending these trenches were virtually annihilated. The subsequent efforts made by the enemy in this locality to attack were without success.

The same night the Germans tried to assault the offensive on the Gorki-Vissoutke front, but they were discovered in time by our searchlights and were dispersed by our fire.

In the region to the east of Piotrkow (south of Lodz) our artillery has destroyed an armored motorcar of the enemy.

New attempts made by the Germans to bombard Thorn (in Galicia) with the excellent fire of our artillery.

CZAR FORCES FOE BACK TO FRONTIER

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Vancing toward Thorn, they also declare, the Germans will be compelled to weaken their forces upon their other fronts, which will compel them to abandon any idea of a drive to Ivanograd.

This is the first time that the German offensive in Poland has been repulsed. It is admitted that the situation in Galicia is not all that might have been desired.

The Austrian defense of Cracow is believed to have been stiffened by the arrival of German troops. These are said to have been transferred from Belgium to the Galician front.

RUSSIANS SINK FOUR TURK SHIPS IN HARBOR OF SINOPLE

Daring Exploit of Torpedo Craft Off Asia Minor.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 19.—News of a daring exploit by a flotilla of Russian torpedo boats was received here today from Sebastopol. The little vessels dashed into the Turkish harbor of Sinople, on the north coast of Asia Minor, under the guns of the Ottoman forts, at night, and sank four vessels, the steamship Megees and three sailing ships.

These vessels had been taken over by the Turkish Government to serve as a base for German troops. These are said to have been transferred from Belgium to the Galician front.

TERROR IN CONSTANTINOPLE

SALONIKA, Jan. 19.—Private advices from Constantinople declare that a reign of terror prevails in the Ottoman capital and reliable reports that Adrianople has been abandoned.

BATTLE ZONES IN POLAND



The accompanying map shows the battleground on which the Russians, Germans and Austrians are fighting, and illustrates the tactics of the Russians in attempting to drive the Teutonic Allies from their lines fronting at Warsaw.

TURKS' STRONGHOLD WITH BUT 5000 MEN MENACED BY RUSSIA

Erzerum, in Armenia, Only 60 Miles Away as Czar's Hosts Sweep Back Turks.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 19.—Pursuit of the Turkish troops fleeing before the Russian advance in the Caucasus is being pressed with great vigor, despite the severe weather prevailing there.

The Russian troops are now only 60 miles from Erzerum, whose garrison is said to have been reduced to 5000 men in order to reinforce the Turks defeated at Ardaha.

AUSTRIANS ATTEMPT NEW INVASION OF SERB SOIL

Nish War Office Announces Stubborn Resistance.

Official announcement was made here today that a new Austrian army is attempting to invade Serbia.

New fortifications have been built to oppose the invading force, and the Serbian War Office asserts that the invasion will meet a stubborn resistance.

CZAR IN EAST PRUSSIAN STRONGHOLD, LONDON HEARS

Capture of Outer Forts at Loetzen Is Reported.

LONDON, Jan. 19.—A dispatch from Warsaw to the Daily Telegraph says it is reported here that the Russians have captured two of the outer forts of Loetzen, in East Prussia.

The fortress of Loetzen, or Boyen, is the most easterly of the great German strongholds. It is situated in the Masurian Lake region and commands the only road through that region. It is 30 miles from the Russian frontier.

ZEPPELIN FLIES OVER PARIS

Reported That Air Attack Is to Be Made Soon.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 19.—A private dispatch from Berlin reports that a Zeppelin airship sailed over Paris yesterday, and that an aerial bombardment of the French capital is soon to begin.

BRITAIN DECLINES TO WAIVE ITS RIGHT TO SEIZE THE DACIA

U. S. Request to Make Exception Refused in Note to State Department—Precedent Feared.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Great Britain today notified the State Department that it would not waive its right to seize the steamship Dacia, recently transferred from German to American registry, even though the ship sailed for Rotterdam instead of Bremen.

Great Britain also refused this Government's request that the vessel be permitted to make one voyage with cotton from the United States to Germany without the voyage being considered a precedent establishing the right of German ships to be transferred to the American flag.

Ambassador Page at London stated that the British Foreign Office refused to make an exception in the Dacia case on the broad ground that it would be setting a precedent.

The Dacia is at Galveston with a \$75,000 cargo of cotton, now about ready to sail. It is not expected the owners will take the risk.

While the text of the note was not given out by the State Department officials, it is understood that Great Britain agreed to pay the owners of the Dacia cargo the same prices for their cotton that they would have received in Germany.

It was made clear, according to good authority, that England did not object to the shipment of cotton to Germany, but to the employment of the ship itself in the transportation of American goods to a country with which it is at war.

Sir Edward Grey is said to base his decision on the ground that if the Dacia, which was one of the crack boats of the Hamburg-American line, could be transferred for the purpose of carrying goods to Germany, it would establish a precedent that would make difficult the regulation of traffic to Germany and Austria.

In other words, it was explained, the British Government felt that under such recognition German ships in every neutral port might be transferred to other registry, used during the war in the carrying trade, and at the end of the war be returned to the German flag.

SAILINGS OF SHIPS HERE DEPEND ON DACIA CASE

British Refusal of U. S. Request Affects Proposed Transfer.

Local shipping men are interested today in the attitude of the British Government refusing to consent to the proposed trip of the cotton steamship Dacia to Rotterdam on account of her transfer from German to American registry. Two

FRENCH TAKE FOES' TRENCHES IN ARGONNE REGION

Ground Gained in Movement to Clear Forest of La Pretrie and Advance Upon Metz.

PARIS, Jan. 19.—Capture of additional German field works in the forests of La Pretrie, northwest of Pont-a-Mousson, in the Argonne region, reported by the War Office today, led to the confident belief here that further progress by the French forces in that region will cause the complete withdrawal of the enemy's forces from the woods and open the way for an advance on Metz.

The recapture by the French of their former positions at La Boisselle, 20 miles northwest of Arras, which was announced last night, was confirmed in a statement issued by the War Office this afternoon.

Because of a blizzard in Belgium there has been only an intermittent cannonade. A heavy snow storm is also raging in the region of Arras, but despite the heavy French artillery has placed a number of the German batteries.

Military experts here today considered the full in German activities about Soissons as a bad omen. A renewal of the desperate fighting is expected momentarily, and it is believed here that the Kaiser's forces will shortly begin a premature effort to force a gap in the Allied lines at this point.

The full in the Argonne region, which has shattered the city itself, suggested to the experts here that additional German infantry reinforcements are being brought up for commencing the attack.

At the eastern extremity of the front battle line, particularly near Bandenau and Thann, in Alsace, a violent cannonade is in progress.

Four German aviators who were taken at Bar-Le-Duc, 25 miles south of Verdun, were trying to bombard the French lines of communication out of the air when they were shot down.

RUMANIA'S WARLIKE MOVE RIDICULED BY BULGARIAN

Envoy to U. S. Discounts Mobilization Reports.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Jan. 19.—Emphatically denying the truth of dispatches telling of the massing of Bulgarian troops on the borders of Serbia and Rumania, M. Stephan Panaroff, Bulgarian Minister to the United States, declared in an interview at Steelton today, that Bulgaria would maintain its neutrality.

M. Panaroff came from Washington last night to address the members of a Bulgarian colony in Steelton and to witness the ceremonies attending the observance of Epiphany today.

In reply to a question as to how Bulgaria viewed the Rumanian mobilization, M. Panaroff said:

"I have seen dispatches declaring that Bulgaria has massed its troops on the Serbian and Rumanian frontiers. You may say that is a lie; Bulgaria has not mobilized any troops."

The Minister further declared that he did not believe dispatches asserting Rumania had mobilized 600,000 were true, saying:

"Rumania cannot mobilize 600,000 effective fighting men. It might not be so heavy on both sides that havoc is being wrought in the trenches. At Neuport and Ypres the German guns are almost constantly in action."

The British military authorities at Ypres state that 125 residents of the city have been killed in the German bombardment. Of the 8000 residents of Ypres 3000 refused to leave their homes. It is said that food is abundant in the town and that prices are normal.

FLANDERS TRENCHES POUNDED BY BIG GUNS

Artillery Duel in North Grows More Furious.

PARIS, Jan. 19.—The artillery duel in the north has resumed with increased vigor, and at St. Omer, in Belgium, the cannonade is so heavy on both sides that havoc is being wrought in the trenches. At Neuport and Ypres the German guns are almost constantly in action.

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